

to the imagination of the public as a charming woman in the simple, but strikingly significant Red Cross costume. The Chapter's first exhibit was made in a small booth at the State Fair in 1916, and consisted merely in the distribution of Red Cross literature. The first exhibit of the work of the Red Cross was made on rather a small scale, in March, 1917, in a window of the Boylan-Pearce Company's department store, as part of the membership campaign. In May the Chapter, by request, sent a delegation to the annual convention of the Federation of Women's Clubs, which met in Durham, to explain Red Cross work. As one of its activities, the delegation set up a booth in one of the halls of the building at Trinity College, in which the Federation held its sessions, where it demonstrated the making of surgical dressings and hospital garments, exhibited models, and distributed literature explaining the purposes, organization and work of the Red Cross. A similar exhibit on a larger scale was made at the North Carolina State Fair in 1917, in a booth in the Woman's Building, the space for which was generously donated by the State Fair Association. Thousands of visitors paused before that booth to watch the nimble fingers of Red Cross workers folding surgical dressings, cutting and sewing hospital garments, knitting sweaters, socks and helmets, and listened with interest to other Red Cross workers as they explained the uses to which these articles were put. A particularly interesting feature of this State Fair exhibit was the Red Cross float, designed and constructed by a committee of which Mrs. W. B. Drake, Jr., was chairman, which was awarded the first prize of \$75 as the best float in the parade with which the State Fair was opened. But perhaps the most effective, although not the most spectacular, of these several exhibits was made in May, 1918, as part of the campaign of the Second Red Cross War Fund Drive, when the workroom was moved from its regular quarters to a down-town store, thrown open to the public, and for more than a week daily visited by large numbers of people who manifested the keenest interest in the work.

BRANCHES AND AUXILIARIES

Fifteen branches and auxiliaries grew up around the Mother Chapter, whose loyal support and efficient service, contributed largely to her success. They were: